

Appln No. 09/659,021  
Amendment dated June 11, 2004  
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### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner has objected to claims 1, 7, 8, 10, 12 in relation to informalities associated with the use of the term "or each" in the claims when referring to the printhead module. The Examiner has stated that there is "only one" and as such the term "or each" should be deleted from the claims.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider this objection in light of the described invention. The invention resides in a modular printhead having replaceable printhead modules and the printhead could conceivably have one module or more than one module. As shown in the Figures, particularly Figs 1 and 2, the printhead is made up of more than one printhead module located within the receiving member. This aspect is referred to in claim 1 by the reference of the printhead comprising "at least one elongate printhead module". As such the continuing reference to "the, or each printhead module" is provided to cover the situations where one, or more than one, printhead module is received in the printhead. In this regard, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider this objection

The Examiner has objected to claim 14 in relation to informalities associated with the use of the term "recess" in the claim and suggests that the term "third" should be inserted before the term as more than one recess has been previously defined.

The Applicant has amended claim 14 such that it now refers to the "third recess" as suggested by the Examiner.

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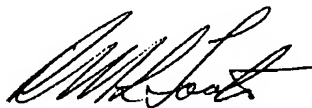
***Double Patenting***

The Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's comments regarding the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting and advises that a suitable terminal disclaimer will be filed upon receipt of notification of allowable subject matter

The Applicant submits that this response is fully responsive to all of the rejections raised in the Office Action. Accordingly, further reconsideration of the Application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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